

The City Council of Chicago Has Passed A Resolution

Appropriating Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars, to Be Expended by the Chief of Police in Detecting or Running Down the Gentlemen Who in the Past, Experienced Much Pleasure in Bombing the Homes of White and Colored People Residing in All Parts of This City

SINGLE HANDED AND ALONE THE BROAD AX SCORED A GREAT VICTORY IN THAT DIRECTION, FOR IT WAS THE FIRST AND ONLY NEWSPAPER IN THIS CITY TO STIR OR ROUSE UP THE CITY FATHERS TO THE POINT WHERE THEY WERE WILLING TO TAKE A BOLD STEP FORWARD IN THAT DIRECTION.

ALDERMAN LOUIS B. ANDERSON AND ALDERMAN ROBERT R. JACKSON SECURED THE PASSAGE OF THE RESOLUTION, AND IN DUE TIME THE FINANCE COMMITTEE WILL HATCH UP THE TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS.

April 30, in commenting in these columns, on the bombing of the building at 3818 Grand Boulevard, which was used as the nurses quarters connected with the Fort Dearborn Hospital; it was suggested at that time among other things, that Alderman Louis B. Anderson, as the floor leader of Mayor Thompson in the City Council, should introduce and secure the passage of a resolution, calling for and setting aside, fifteen to twenty-five thousand dollars, the money to be expended some way or other, in an attempt to apprehend the bombers in this city.

Almost three weeks after that suggestion on our part, Alderman Anderson, and the city fathers, permitted themselves to be guided by our advice or wisdom and the following resolution was passed at its last regular meeting:

"Whereas during the past year there have been committed a number of crimes which have taken the form of bombing residences and business places throughout the City of Chicago, and,

"Whereas the throwing of bombs have in many cases endangered the lives of occupants of the homes and business places affected, and in two instances caused the loss of lives of persons residing in the places bombed, and,

"Whereas the efforts made to ferret out and apprehend the perpetrators of these crimes have necessarily been limited because of the fact that the Police Department is hampered by reason of lack of funds to make the proper investigation and to procure the necessary evidence in order to ascertain who the real culprits are, or who are responsible for the unlawful acts in question, and,

"Whereas this heinous crime is to

an alarming degree causing great apprehension for the lives and property of the citizens of Chicago thus rendering, especially in certain localities, the peaceful occupation of homes and business of the citizens residing therein hazardous and unsafe, and,

"Whereas the apparent ease with which the culprits have been able to execute their criminal acts of bombing without detection or apprehension has caused them to feel a certain sense of security in the commission of these crimes.

"Therefore be it resolved that the City Council Committee on Finance be and it is hereby directed to set up as a separate appropriation the sum of \$25,000 to be expended by the General Superintendent of the Police in a thorough investigation of the crime of bombing throughout the City of Chicago.

"Be it further resolved, that the General Superintendent of Police be and he is directed to use said appropriation in such manner as he may see fit to the end that the perpetrators of these crimes be located and apprehended and that the evidence thus obtained be delivered to the State's Attorney for prosecution of the guilty individuals, organizations, or societies, directly or indirectly found to be responsible for the cowardly crime of bombing."

Each Saturday for three weeks prior to the passage of the above resolution we would deposit a copy of this paper in the mail box of each of the seventy aldermen containing our red hot articles against the bombers and all the city fathers had fully made up their minds to vote in favor of the resolution and we are beginning to feel that after all that something will be done to check bombing in Chicago.

CONGRESSMAN MARTIN B. MADDEN DEFENDS THE PAST RECORD OF THE COLORED TROOPS IN THE WORLD WAR FOR DEMOCRACY.

Washington, D. C.—Recently in the U. S. House of Representatives, Honorable Martin B. Madden of Illinois spoke with particular reference to certain statements which have been made derogatory to the services of colored troops abroad. Mr. Madden, through a sense of fair-play, insisted that certain correspondence he had received from Dr. Emmett J. Scott, Secretary-Treasurer, Howard University, together with other letters and newspaper reports which clearly and definitely controverted the charges made against colored troops should be entered in the Congressional Record as an offset to the propaganda which has been under way for some months to discredit not only the record of colored American troops abroad but the record of French colonial troops in the occupied area as well.

Dr. Scott assembled a formidable array of documents to controvert this German propaganda in America including a letter written by Ambassador Jusserand of the French Republic to Mr. Henry E. Parker, of the Howard Park Citizens' Association, Washington, D. C., in which M. Jusserand states that the allegations constantly and persistently spread by German propaganda against our colored troops are absolutely unfounded; that their behavior does not justify in the least the scurrilous accusations freely

launched against them in sheets sent here from Germany, ready printed and in enormous quantities, for distribution all over the country. The correspondence also contained clippings from the New York Times, the Washington Post, Associated Press dispatches, and correspondence between Senator Selden P. Spencer of Missouri, and former Secretary of State Colby.

"Under all the circumstances," Dr. Scott said in his letter to Congressman Madden, "it must be clearly evident that a grave injustice has been done these French colonial troops, who fought so bravely against the Teutonic enemies during the world conflict. Their services were then recognized at face value. They helped to save the precious jewel of liberty for all the world. They proved to be troops not afraid of Germany's best and most seasoned veterans. It seems particularly malignant under the circumstances not to have in the Congressional Record the above statements, which correct the very unfair—to use no more vigorous language—propaganda which has been circulated against them in this country. I refer to the matter as a colored American, because propaganda reflections of the same character were quite generally circulated about colored American troops who served in France. The libels in that case were finally and effectively disposed of, as they have been in the case mentioned above."

Congressman Madden has again won the whole-souled approval of colored Americans for his courageous action in combating prejudice against our colored troops. His remarks have been reprinted in pamphlet form and are being very widely distributed.



HON. JAMES W. BREEN

First Assistant Corporation Counsel of Chicago; the Thompson Republican Candidate for Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County, Whose Thousands of Loyal Friends Look Upon Him as a Dead Sure Winner, Monday, June 6.

Hon. James W. Breen, the First Assistant Corporation Counsel of Chicago, the Thompson Republican candidate for Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County was born in this great city August 31, 1873, receiving his early education in its public schools from which he in time graduated with all the honors due him. At the end of that period he attended the Bryant & Stratton Business College and the old Chicago Athenaeum where he completed his commercial education.

Later on in life he graduated with the highest honors from the Law Department of the Lake Forest University, and he was admitted to the Chicago Bar and the Illinois Bar in 1897, and a short time after that date he received his commission to practice in the United States Supreme Court at Washington, D. C.

It must be said to the everlasting

credit of Mr. Breen that right from the very start he met with great success in the practice of his chosen profession and for many years he has been one of the popular members of the Chicago Bar Association.

From 1907 to 1911 he served with honor to himself and to the citizens of Chicago as Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, under the late Mayor Fred A. Busse.

In 1915 Mayor William Hale Thompson selected Mr. Breen as Assistant Corporation Counsel of Chicago, and near the first of the present year he was chosen First Assistant Corporation Counsel and he is more than making good in that responsible and important position and continues to reflect great credit upon himself and upon the administration of Mayor Thompson.

Less than two years ago Mr. Breen who was always considered one of

the most handsome bachelors in this city was happily united in marriage to Miss May Lewis who is ever so loving and beautiful and Mr. and Mrs. Breen reside in a lovely home at 947 W. 54th place, and once each week The Broad Ax finds its way into their home as Mr. Breen who is one of the brainy and most popular public officials in the City Hall has for years been a strong supporter of this paper.

In 1920, after a great fight with the aid of this paper, Mr. Breen was elected the Thompson Committeeman of the 30th Ward, and being well grounded in the law, his legal training pre-eminently fits him for the honored position which he is seeking and his hosts of steadfast friends feel confident that on Monday, June 6, that he will step up higher and that he will make an ideal Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County.

HON. EDWARD H. WRIGHT, REPUBLICAN COMMITTEEMAN OF THE SECOND WARD, STEPS TO THE FRONT AND OFFERS ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS REWARD — IN COLD CASH — FOR THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF ANY PERSON WHO DELIGHTS TO BOMB THE HOMES OF COLORED PEOPLE, RESIDING ON THE SOUTH SIDE.

Chicago, Ill.
May 19, 1921.

Julius F. Taylor,
Editor of The Broad Ax,
Dear Sir:

I have read the articles in which you address the so-called leaders of the colored people in which my name is mentioned as one of the number, with considerable interest and with some degree of indignation. Many people and some newspapers are apt to jump at conclusions without knowing the facts in the case, and in doing so work a serious injustice upon innocent persons. Your articles would make it appear that nothing has been done to take up the bombing outrages with the proper authorities of the city and county, and to that extent such leaders are deserving of public censure. I wish to assure you and the public that while I have made no great advertisement of the fact, I took up the question of the bombing outrages with Mayor Thompson, with Chief of Police Garrity, with Chief of Police Fitzmorris and with State's Attorney Crowe.

Mayor Thompson and his Chief of Police received my suggestions with absolute fairness and took the necessary steps to give protection to the threatened localities or buildings by giving additional police details and by calling the attention of the commanding officers in the various precincts to the necessity of increased vigilance to the end that the perpetrators of the bombing outrages might be apprehended. State's Attorney Crowe also has given both public and private expression of his determination to use all means at his command to bring those responsible for these outrages to justice. I am not at liberty to state everything that has been proposed by the law enforcing agencies to stamp

out this heinous crime, because publicity given to the plans would operate to defeat the object sought to be obtained.

Let me assure The Broad Ax and the people of Chicago that it will not be necessary to prod me into doing my duty. I have always been ready to do the thing that I thought was required to be done for the interest and protection of my people without waiting for committees or mass meetings, and have proceeded upon the theory that each man and woman should do his or her duty, and I have tried to do mine.

Very respectfully yours,
Edward H. Wright
Republican committeeman of the second ward.

Aside from the above communication Mr. Wright states that he stands ready and willing to dig up one thousand dollars which he will willingly give to anyone as a reward for the arrest and the conviction of anyone apprehended in tossing bombs at the homes of colored people residing in the second ward or in any section of Chicago, and as Mr. Wright means business in that direction, Hon. Louis B. Anderson, Hon. Oscar DePriest, Hon. Robert R. Jackson and Hon. James A. Scott, should each come to the front and lay down one thousand dollars each, which would make five thousand dollars to be expended in that direction. Without waiting for anyone else to lead off, and with five thousand dollars a big showing could be made in the way of running down at least some of the bombers.

The writer is pleased to note that in the past Mr. Wright has been doing some work under cover in an effort to bring the bombers to the bars of justice. Let the good work go on.

THE DEDICATION OF THE PLAT OF GROUND AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF FIFTY-SIXTH AND STATE STREETS, WHERE THE PRINCE HALL MASONIC TEMPLE WILL BE ERECTED, WILL OCCUR SUNDAY, JUNE 12TH.

Sunday, June 12, at 1:30 P. M., the Masons in all parts of Chicago will assemble at the corner of Fifty-Sixth and State streets and take part in assisting to dedicate that plat of ground 100 by 161 feet on which will be erected the new Prince Hall Masonic Temple, which, when completed, will cost almost six-hundred thousand dollars, the ground alone costing twelve thousand dollars.

The Prince Hall Masonic Temple Association, incorporated under the laws of the State of Illinois, which is composed of many subordinate lodges of Free and Accepted Masons of Chicago, are the moving spirits behind this vast project.

This Temple will be a lasting monument not only to the Fraternity of Chicago, but to the entire Race all over the world.

The Association has opened an office in charge of the Secretary at 3958 S. State street where information will be gladly furnished any one interested.

The officers are Samuel Matthews, President, Robt. A. Jackson, 1st Vice-President, C. C. Granberry, 2nd Vice-President, W. C. Lee, Treasurer and M. H. Jackson, Secretary.

BISHOP G. W. CLINTON DEAD.

Noted Prelate of A. M. E. Zion Church.

Charlotte, N. C.—Bishop G. W. Clinton died at his home here at 12 o'clock Wednesday night. Bishop Clinton was one of the leading lights of the A. M. E. Zion Church and was active in all race matters.

THE COLORED COOK COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION HAS ENDORSED THE FOLLOWING JUDICIAL CANDIDATES.

On last Saturday evening, the Cook County Bar Association, at a special meeting held at the Appomattox Club, endorsed in their Bar Primary, the following Judges and Judicial candidates for the coming election:

Circuit Court.

Anton T. Zeman, Jesse Holdom, Bernard P. Barasa, George Kersten, Kickham Scanlan, Donald L. Morrill, Charles M. Thompson, George F. Rush, Francis S. Wilson, Thomas G. Windes, Jesse A. Baldwin, John Richardson, Edward S. Day, David Matchett, Hugo M. Friend, David M. Brothers, Thomas Taylor, Jr., Frank Johnston, Jr., Oscar M. Torrisson, John A. Swanson.

Superior Court.

Theodore Brentano.
It is said upon good authority that the lawyers present indulged in many heated arguments, and at times the discussion became exceedingly lively.

MR. AND MRS. FRANK PEER HAVE COME TO THE PARTING OF THE WAY

Wednesday morning Mr. Frank Peer, who is in business at 3503 S. State Street and his talented and beautiful wife, Mrs. Evelyn Peer, who is a moving picture star or actress. Judge Harry A. Lewis of the Superior Court, untied their unhappy wedding knot for them.

Hon. Edward H. Morris, represented Mrs. Peer, and Attorney Robert E. Cantwell, looked after the interests of Mr. Peer.

The court awarded Mrs. Peer, \$1,900, \$350 cash, and the remainder to be paid in at the rate of \$15 per week until the whole amount is paid.